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Wickes Limited

Financial statements for the 52 weeks ended 28 December 2013

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Annual report and accounts for the 52 weeks ended 28 December 2013

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Directors' report for the 52 weeks ended 28 December 2013

The Directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the 52 weeks ended 28 December 2013.

The Directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies under Section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

Directors

The Directors of the Company who served during the period and subsequently are listed below:

J. Bird (resigned 8 April 2013)

J. P. Carter

G. I. Cooper (resigned 31 December 2013)

P. N. Hampden Smith (resigned 28 February 2013)

M. R. Meech

R. Murray (resigned 2 December 2013)
A. Buffin (appointed 8 April 2013)

The company has made qualifying third party indemnity provisions for the benefits of its directors which were made during the year and remain in force at the date of this report.

Statement of going concern

The Company's business activities, together with any factors likely to affect its future development and position are set out in this report.

The Company is a subsidiary of Travis Perkins plc. The Company is a guarantor company for the Group's borrowing facilities. The Company's ability to operate as a going concern is therefore directly linked to the Group's position.

The Board of Travis Perkins plc is currently of the opinion that having reviewed the Group's cash forecasts and revenue projections, and after taking account of reasonably possible changes in trading performance, the Group should be able to operate within its current facilities and comply with its banking covenants for the foreseeable future.

On the basis of their assessment of the Company's financial position and enquiries made of the Directors of Travis Perkins plc, the Company's directors have no reason to believe that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt about the ability of the Company to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

Directors' report (continued)

Auditor

Each of the persons who is a director at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- So far as the Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware; and
- The Director has taken all steps that he/she ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of s418 of the Companies Act 2006.

Deloitte LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditor and a resolution to reappoint them will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By order of the Board

Signed for and on behalf of TPG Management Services Limited

27 May 2014

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Strategic report for the 52 weeks ended 28 December 2013

Business review and principal activities

The principal activity of the Company is that of an intermediate holding company.

The Company did not trade in the period and the directors do not expect it to trade in the foreseeable future.

Results and dividends

The Company has no recognised gains or losses during the current or previous periods. No dividends were paid in the period (2012: nil).

By order of the Board

Signed for and on behalf of TPG Management Services Limited

27 May 2014

Directors' responsibilities statement

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
 and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent auditor's report to the members of Wickes Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Wickes Limited for the 52 weeks ended 28 December 2013, which comprise the balance sheet, the statement of changes in equity and the related notes 1 to 14. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (UK GAAP) Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the annual report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 28 December 2013 and of its result for the 52 weeks then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK GAAP; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Independent auditor's report (continued)

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made;
 or
- the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

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William Smith (Senior statutory auditor) for and on behalf of Deloitte LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor Birmingham, United Kingdom 28 May 2014

Balance sheet as at 28 December 2013

	Notes	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Fixed assets Investments	6	99,558	99,558
Current assets Debtors	7	239,189	239,189
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(195,365)	(195,365)
Net current assets		43,824	43,824
Total assets less current liabilities being net assets		143,382	143,382
Capital and Reserves			
Called up share capital	10	27,571	27,571
Share premium account	11	103,402	103,402
Special reserve	11	46	46
Capital redemption reserve	11	8,988	8,988
Profit and loss account	11	3,375	3,375
Shareholders' funds		143,382	143,382

There have been no transactions during either the current or the prior period and thus no profit and loss account or statement of comprehensive income has been prepared.

The financial statements of Wickes Limited, registered number 2070200, were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 27 May 2014. They were signed on its behalf by:

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A. Buffin

Director

Statement of changes in equity for the 52 weeks ended 28 December 2013

	Share capital £'000	Share premium account £'000	Special reserve £'000	Capital redemption reserve £'000	Profit and loss account £'000	Total £'000
At 31 December 2011 as previously stated Changes on transition to FRS 102	27,571	103,402	46	8,988	3,375	143,382
At 1 January 2012 as restated	27,571	103,402	46	8,988	3,375	143,382
Profit for the financial year Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	· -	-	-
At 29 December 2012	27,571	103,402	46	8,988	3,375	143,382
Profit for the financial year Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	· -	-	-
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 28 December 2013	27,571	103,402	46	8,988	3,375	143,382

Notes to the financial statements for the 52 weeks ended 28 December 2013

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards in the United Kingdom.

The particular accounting policies adopted are described below and have been applied consistently in both years.

General information and basis of accounting

The company is incorporated in the United Kingdom under the Companies Act. The address of the registered office is given on page 2. The nature of the company's operations and its principal activities are set out in the Strategic Report on page 3.

The Company is exempt by virtue of section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare group financial statements as it and its subsidiary undertakings are included by full consolidation in the consolidated financial statements of Travis Perkins plc, a company registered in England. These financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. The Company has early adopted FRS 102 and its effective date of transition was 1 January 2012.

On adoption of FRS 102 there were no transition adjustments required.

The presentation currency of these financial statements is sterling. All amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest £1,000.

The Company meets the definition of a qualifying entity under FRS 102 and has therefore taken advantage of the disclosure exemptions available to it in respect of its financial statements. Exemptions have been taken in relation to share-based payments, financial instruments, presentation of a cash flow statement, intra-group transactions and remuneration of key management personnel.

The accounting policies set out below have, unless otherwise stated, been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

Going concern

The Company is a subsidiary of Travis Perkins plc. The Company is a guarantor company for the Group's borrowing facilities. The Company's ability to operate as a going concern is therefore directly linked to the Group's position.

The Board of Travis Perkins plc is currently of the opinion that having reviewed the Group's cash forecasts and revenue projections, and after taking account of reasonably possible changes in trading performance, the Group should be able to operate within its current facilities and comply with its banking covenants for the foreseeable future.

1 Accounting polices (continued)

Going concern (continued)

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Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Company after deducting all of its liabilities.

Investments in subsidiary undertakings are stated at cost less provision for impairment where appropriate. Investments held as current assets are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those measured at fair value, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each balance sheet date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss as described below.

A financial asset is impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after initial recognition, the estimated recoverable value of the asset has been reduced. The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use.

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of an impairment is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate.

For financial assets carried at cost less impairment, the impairment loss is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the best estimate of the amount that would be received for the asset if it were to be sold at the reporting date.

Where indicators exist for a decrease in impairment loss, the prior impairment loss is tested to determine reversal. An impairment loss is reversed on an individual impaired asset to the extent that the revised recoverable value does not lead to a revised carrying amount higher than the carrying value had no impairment been recognised

2 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Company's accounting policies, which are described in note 1, the directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

In particular, the main estimates refer to the following:

- recoverability of investments
- recoverability of group debtors receivables.

These estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Auditor's remuneration

Fees payable to the Company's auditor for the audit of the Company's annual accounts amounted to £2,000 (2012: £2,000). These fees were borne by another group company. No amounts were paid to the auditor in respect of non-audit services.

4 Directors' remuneration

No emoluments were payable to the directors of the company during the current or preceding financial year.

5 Employee information

No staff were directly employed by Wickes Limited in either period.

6 Fixed asset investments

The principal undertakings (excluding dormant companies) in which the Company's interest at the period end is more than 20% are as follows:

Subsidiary undertaking	Country of incorporation	Principal activity	Class and percentage of shares held
		Intermediate holding	
Wickes Holdings Limited	UK	company	100% ordinary
Hunter Estates Limited	UK	Property management	100% ordinary
*Wickes Building Supplies		Retail operator of DIY	
Limited	UK	superstores	100% ordinary
		Intermediate holding	•
*Wickes Properties Limited	UK	company	100% ordinary
*Wickes Developments Limited	UK	Property management	100% ordinary
* Indicates indirect holding			

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All companies shown as incorporated in the UK are registered in England and Wales.

Cost and NBV	Shares in subsidiary undertakings £'000
At 29 December 2012 and 28 December 2013	99,558
7 Debtors	
2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Amounts falling due within one year Amounts owed by group undertakings 239,189	239,189
8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	
2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Amounts owed to group undertakings 195,365	195,365

9 Contingent liabilities

At 31 December 2013 the Company, together with other subsidiaries in the Travis Perkins' group, guaranteed the amount drawn under the £550 million UK syndicated bank facility and the £50 million UK bilateral bank facility made available to its ultimate parent company Travis Perkins plc. At 31 December 2013 the amount drawn on the facility was £240 million.

In addition to guaranteeing the £50 million UK syndicated facility and the £50 million UK bilateral facility, the Company and other group subsidiaries have guaranteed US private placement notes totaling \$200 million, advanced to Travis Perkins plc. Further details of the Group's borrowings are given in the accounts of Travis Perkins plc.

10 Called-up share capital

	2013	2012
	£'000	£'000
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
55,141,880 ordinary shares of 50p each	27,571	27,571

11 Reserves

The share premium reserve contains the premium arising on issue of equity shares.

The special and capital redemption reserves relate to the maintenance of the capital base of the company on the redemption of share capital.

The profit and loss reserve represents cumulative profits or losses.

12 Related party transactions

The Company has related party relationships with its fellow group companies and with its directors. It has not disclosed transactions between group companies however, as permitted under section 33 of FRS 102.

100% of the voting rights over the Company's shares are controlled within the Group.

There have been no material related party transactions with directors.

13 Ultimate parent company

The Directors regard Travis Perkins plc, a company registered in England and Wales, as both the immediate and ultimate controlling party. The largest and smallest group into which the Company's results are consolidated is Travis Perkins plc. Copies of the Travis Perkins plc group financial statements are available from The Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Crown Way, Maindy, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ.

14 Explanation of transition to FRS 102

This is the first year that the Company has presented its financial statements under Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. The last financial statements under previous UK GAAP were for the year ended 29 December 2012 and the date of transition to FRS 102 was therefore 1 January 2012. However as a consequence of adopting FRS 102 no transition adjustments were required.